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APPARATUS AND RADIATION  
IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS

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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. No copy of the U.S. Patent is provided.

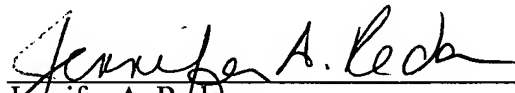
The cited reference was called to Applicants' attention in a search report issued by the European Patent Office in a foreign counterpart application. A copy of the search report is enclosed.

Please note that three references cited in the European Search Report (US 2001-0022363 A1, JPA 2-260460, JPA 2002-124655) were cited in the June 9, 2005 Information Disclosure Statement filed in the present application.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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